

Amendment to the Drawings

The attached replacement sheet of drawings includes changes to FIGS. 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 15, 18, 19, 19a and 20, as indicated in the replacement sheet of drawings attached hereto.

Attachments: Replacement Sheet

Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

As a result of the above amendments, claims 1-6, 9-18 and 20-21 remaining pending. Claims 1 and 20 have been amended, the abstract has been replaced, and portions of the specification been amended. However, the amendments do not add new matter. Entry of the above amendments and reconsideration of this application is requested.

Turning to the Office Action, the drawings were objected to for failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p), the abstract was objected to as to form, and informalities were noted in the specification. Moreover, under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, claims 1-21 were rejected, under 35 U.S.C. 102 claims 1-4, 6-10 and 13-21 were rejected, and under 35 U.S.C. 103 claims 5 and 11-12 were rejected.

In response to the objections to the drawings, the Applicant and amended the specification and submits herewith proposed replacements sheets wherein Figures 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 15, 18, 19, 19a, and 20 wherein proposed corrections have been made. In particular: Figures 1 and 2 have been modified to include reference number 21; Figure 5 has been modified to remove reference number 32a; Figure 6 has been modified to correct the position of the lead line for reference number 189; Figure 8 has been modified to replace reference number “34” with “87”; Figure 15 has been modified to make reference number “61a” clear; Figure 18 has been modified to show how the views in the figure interrelate; Figures 19 and 19a have been modified to replace reference number 110a’ with 110b; and Figure 19 has been modified to replace the incorrect use of reference number “112a” with “102”; Figure 20 has been modified to replace the incorrect use of reference number “17” with “17a”. The corrections do not add any new matter and approval of the proposed changes is respectfully requested.

In response to the objections to the specification, the abstract has been rewritten in narrative form. Moreover, underlined portions of the reference characters have been removed and interchangeable use of “terminal” using both “110a” and “110a” has been clarified. Further, the misspelling of “spreader” has been corrected.

In response to the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, terminology deemed to be indefinite has been corrected where the term “dispenser” is now properly used within the claims.

In response to the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102 and 35 U.S.C. 103, based on the prior art of record, the claims have been amended. As set forth in the claims, it is required, among other things, that the nozzle be integrally attached to a fitting wherein the nozzle has an elongated opening and the fitting has a threaded inner surface for engaging a threaded outer surface of the dispenser. Moreover, the claims require, among other things, that the dispenser may be manipulated to caused the spreader surface to spread edible material and a cap be provided that is secured by snap-ring retention to entirely cover the nozzle.

The prior art of record fails to teach or suggest the claimed combination. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be passed to issue.

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-0545.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned, at (312) 226-1818, is respectfully invited.

Respectfully submitted,
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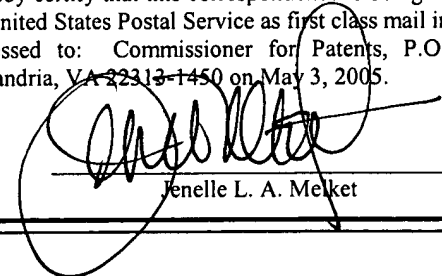


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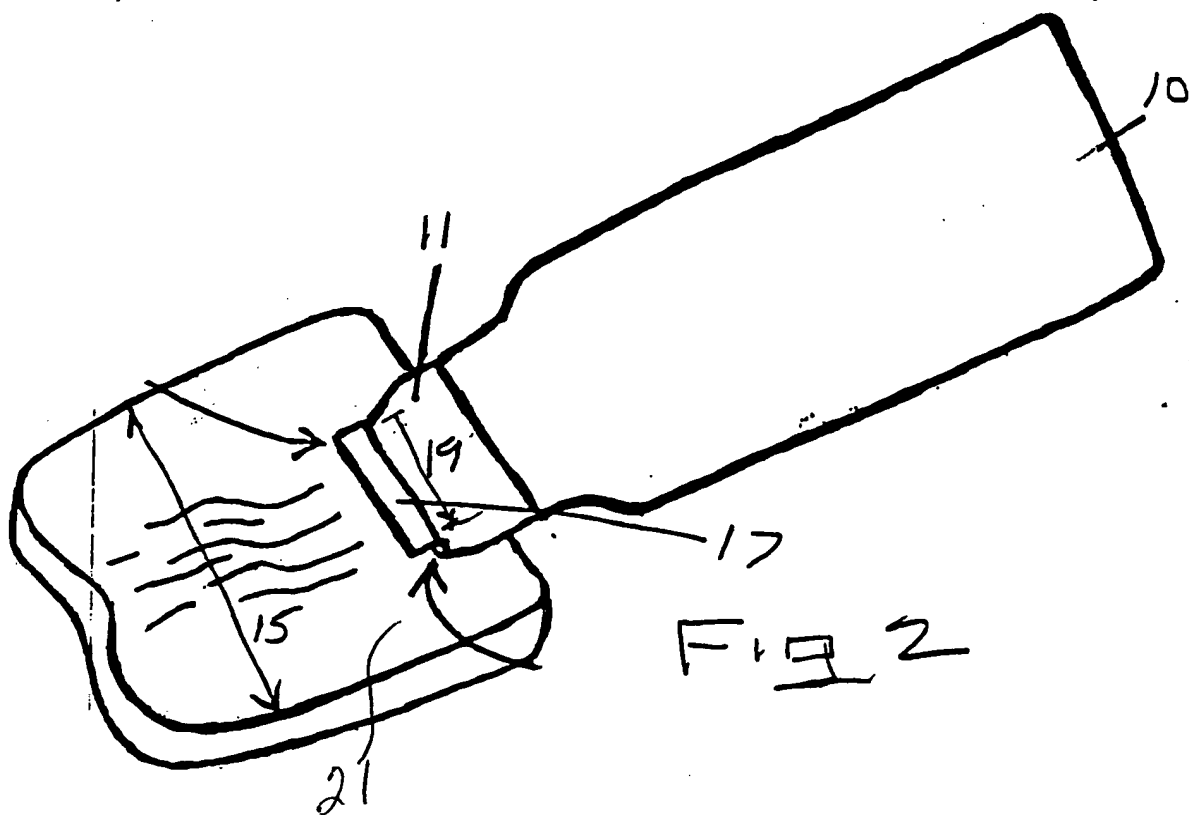
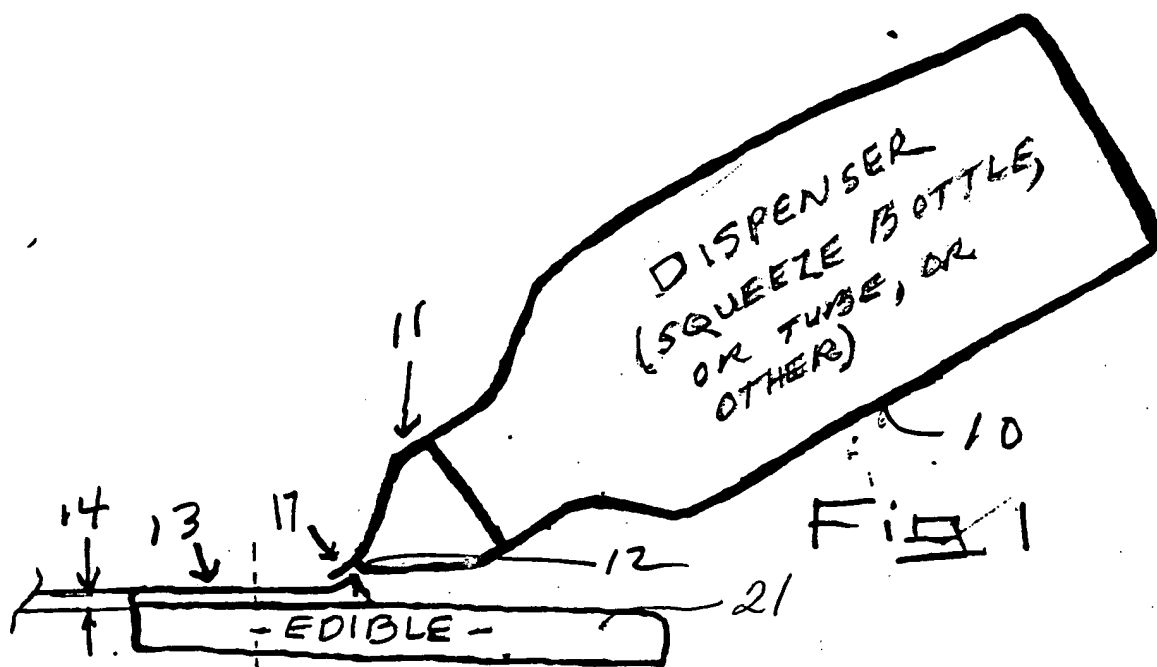
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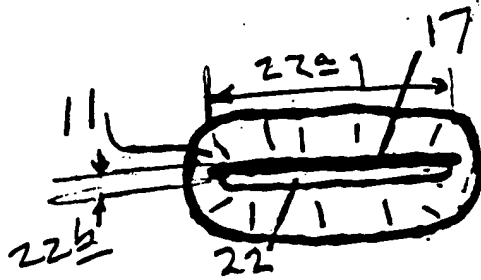


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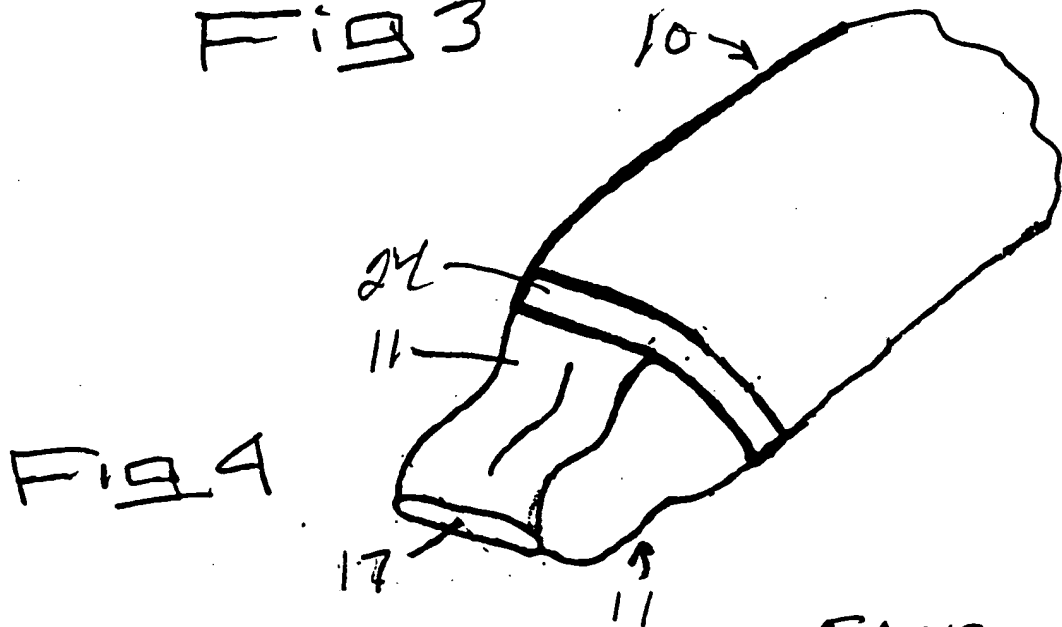


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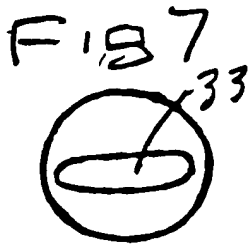


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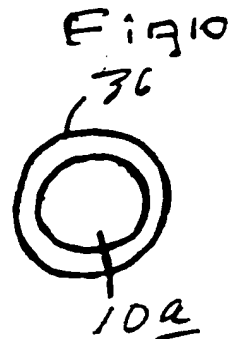


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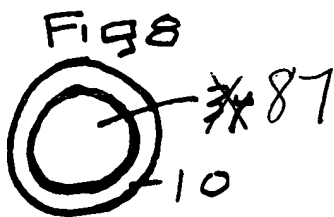


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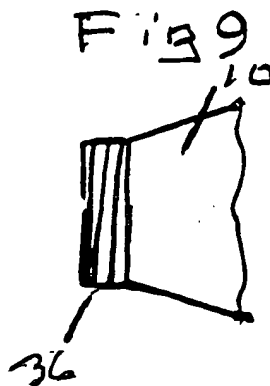
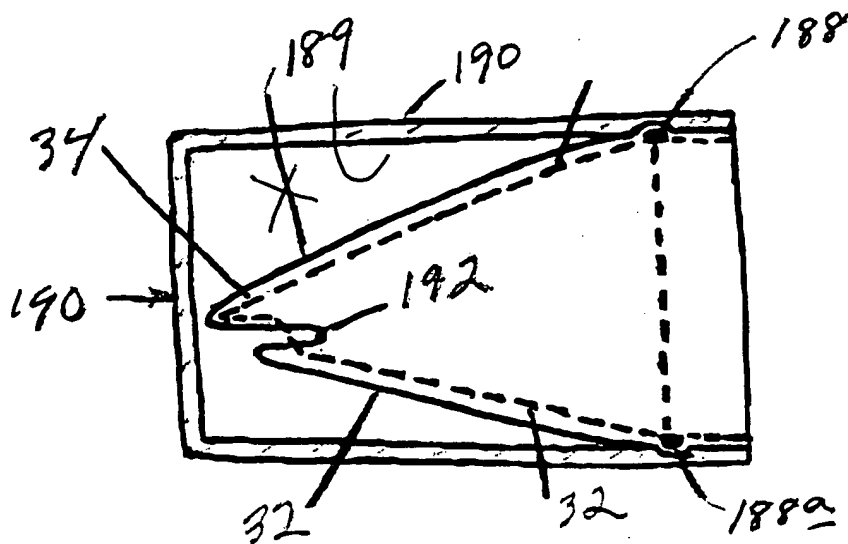
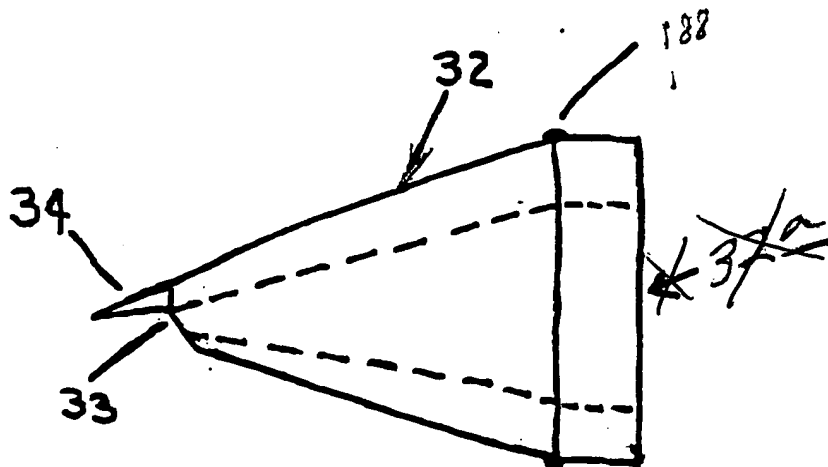


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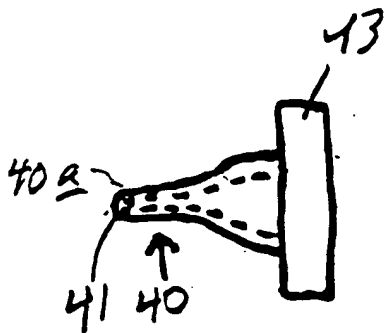


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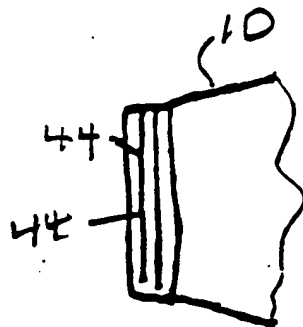


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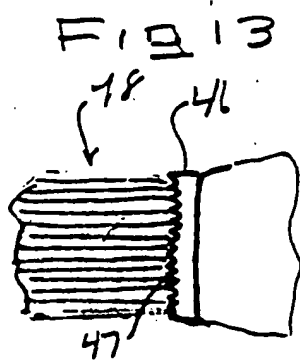


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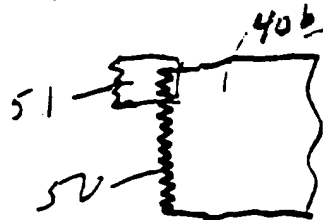


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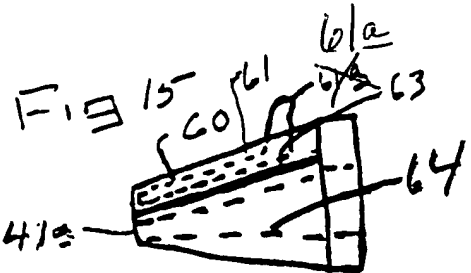
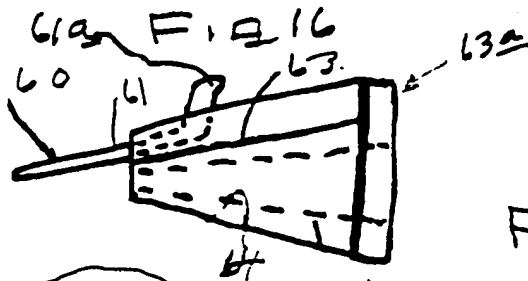


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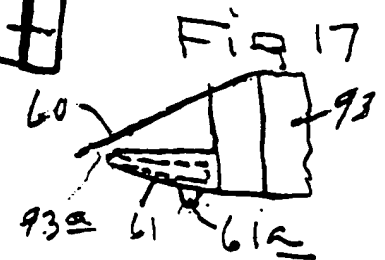


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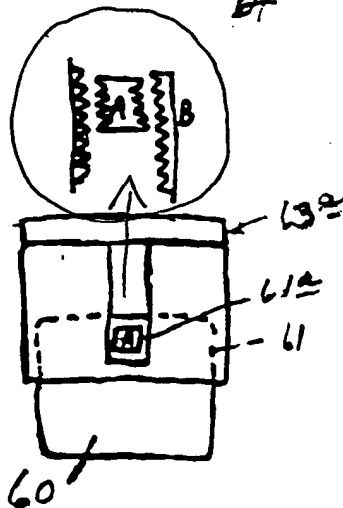
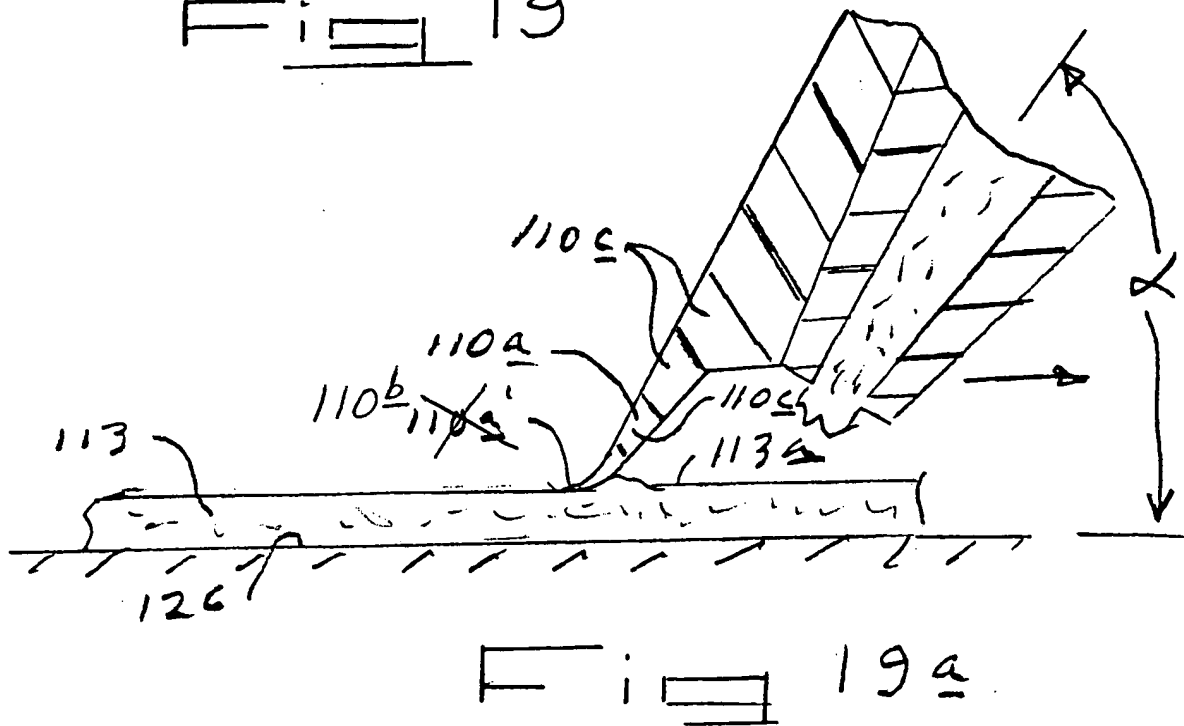
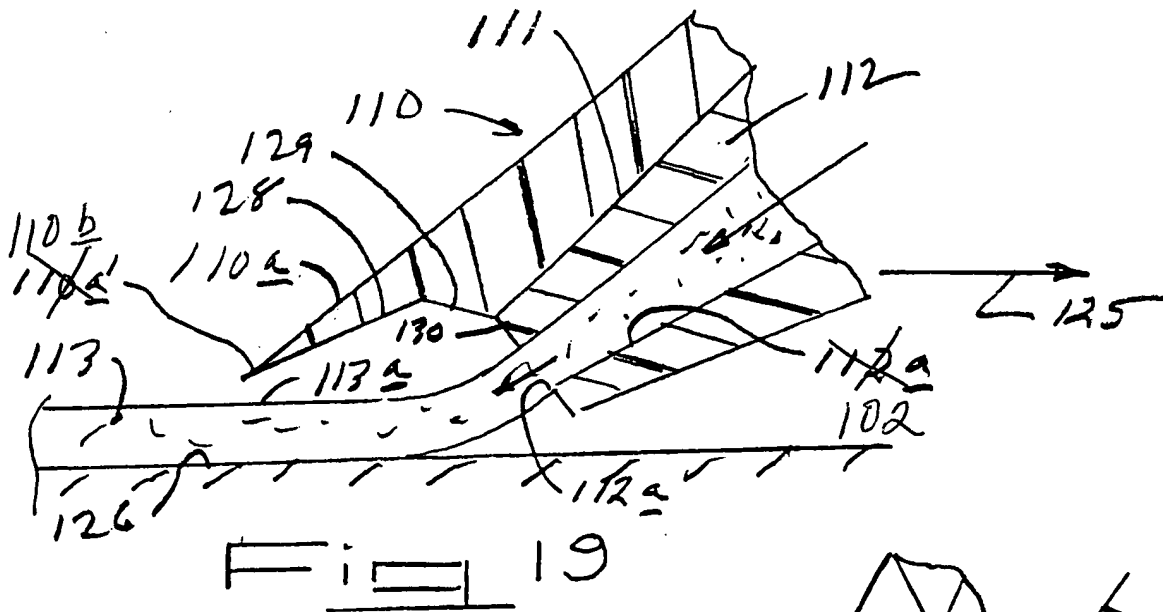


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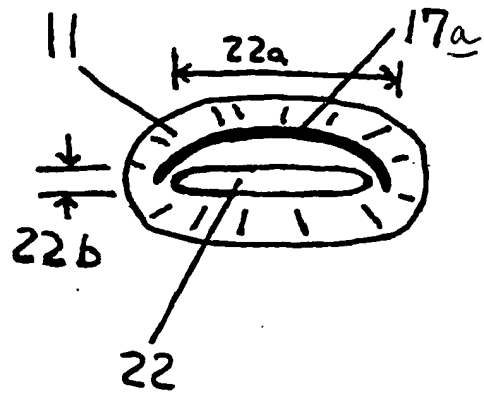


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